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October 26, 1927 Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

THE POOR WE HAVE WITH US; A SUGGESTION

"For ye have the poor always with you." This was not spoken as a rule for universal application; for all times and countries.

But all countries have had and do have their poor. This may not always be true. We cannot look into the future.

And the most pitiable of all persons is the one who is capable of working, and willing to work, and cannot find work for his hands to do.

The YMCA free employment office of Salem had 259 persons applying for work last week; men and women—mostly men, and the majority of them common laborers.

This condition will grow worse, likely, till the activities of spring employment relieve the situation. There will be hungry people in Salem during the coming rainy season.

That is the condition; the poor we have with us. Here is the suggestion: Hundreds of thousands of acres of our land need irrigation in the dry months of the summer, in the greatest growing season.

Moreover, some of the great irrigation concerns have had scouts over the Willamette valley lately. They see that the time is ripe, or about ripe, for great activity in the irrigation field here.

This is the nub of the suggestion: Why not have a special committee of the Salem Chamber of Commerce, or some other organization, get busy calling the attention of irrigation men, engineers and real promoters, and capitalists specializing in that field, to our great valley needing a period of irrigation activity? Why not? Now. Not some other time. Now.

People like to be asked. Let's ask for this needed thing, and ask that activities begin at once.

This will solve our unemployment problem. These people who are out of work are needed here. We will need all of them in the seasons of harvest, which are long here.

And we need the irrigation, for many reasons. It will bring beet sugar factories. These will boom dairying and all live stock industries. It will bring a thousand benefits.

THE INCINERATOR; NOT TAKING SIDES

The Statesman is not taking sides in the matter of the location of the incinerator; just giving the news—

Excepting that the editor of this newspaper believes the time is closer than most of our people imagine when we will have sewage disposal in a scientific, modern and economical manner, using the product for enriching our lands.

But the people in the southeast section who want the incinerator located near the gas works are using these arguments: They say it is three and a tenth miles from the Ladd & Bush corner to the incinerator site northeast of the city limits.

They say the city will finally haul the garbage, and that it will cost \$6 for every three-ton truck load from the outermost sections; and these sections will grow farther, for the city is expanding, north, south, east and west.

And then they say that, in the fruit-ripening season, the garbage will be so wet that some "hog fuel" (saw dust) will have to be burned with it. And this will add to the cost of hauling.

It is at least worth while to consider all these things— And it would be a fine thing if we had a city manager right now.

The Portland Journal of last evening had the following editorial paragraph, concerning the world artist to be at the Elsinore theater in Salem tomorrow night: "Only 32, Brailowsky, who appears in concert in Portland tonight, is already accounted the peer, if not the superior, of Paderewski as an artist.

It will be a fine thing, with the new press, for The Statesman to be printed and gathered together—not in sections.

It will print and gather and deliver any even number of pages from four up to 24, excepting 22. The pages contain 179 inches of reading matter, instead of 168, as heretofore.

Flax, Slogan subject tomorrow. The biggest thing in the Salem district, in any crop, in growing and manufacturing. The permanently greatest Oregon industry.

BANKERS HELD NOT FARMERS' FRIENDS

Arkansas Senator Flings Charges At Annual Convention at Houston

HOUSTON, Texas, Oct. 25.—(AP)—Charges that bankers are hostile to relief measures for the farmers were hurled here Monday by Senator T. H. Caraway of Arkansas and other farm spokesmen at the American Bankers association convened in annual session.

The attack on the bankers resulted from the refusal of the agricultural commission of the association to give a committee headed by Senator Caraway an opportunity to present fully a program for assisting the farmer.

"This action on the part of the bankers in refusing to give us a hearing will only more convince the farmers that it is a concerted force against their relief," the Arkansas senator asserted.

"The bankers state that our plan is economically unsound and yet they have not heard the plan, and will not listen. We believe that the bankers should take their foot off the brake and give the farmers an equal opportunity for legislation to right the wrongs of the past."

Burton K. Smith of North Lake, Wis., chairman of the bankers' agricultural commission, insisted, however, "there has never been any effort by the American Bankers association to stop discussion of any issue."

Mr. Smith said that Senator Caraway "laid the blame for President Coolidge's veto of the McNary-Haugen bill at the door of the American Bankers association. He (Caraway) said that if the association had endorsed the bill it would have been law at the present time."

"We have found a very hostile attitude on all sides again our proposition," declared Senator Caraway, who added that what his committee desired was "to interest the bankers to the point that they would investigate the situation, as it had been investigated and study our plan or formulate some plan for relief."

"The farmers feel," he said, "that the bankers and the industrial interest have prejudiced leaders of the country, even the president of the United States, against any relief for farmers and we feel that the farmers are justified in feeling that way."

AIRPLANE MAKERS DO RUSH BUSINESS

American Manufacturers Unable To Fill Contracts of \$150,000

NEW YORK, Oct. 25.—(AP)—Aeronautical activities of the past summer have brought such a rush of orders to American airplane manufacturers that airplanes of \$150,000 may go begging, or go abroad, because the big companies in this country are too busy to try for them.

The Safe Aircraft competition sponsored by the Daniel Guggenheim fund for the promotion of aeronautics, has been open almost two months, yet only two American companies, and those relatively small, have filed entries as against five entries from England, four of them world famous companies.

"The trouble is," Harry Guggenheim, president of the Guggenheim fund, told the Associated Press, "that our manufacturers are so booked up with orders that they can't think of anything but getting out planes. We hope, however, that many of them will go in later."

In a recent statement concerning the competition, Guggenheim said improvement in aerodynamic safety characteristics has been "badly neglected" by designers who have bent their energies largely to progress in performance. Now, his remarks indicate, these energies are being turned to production with improvement still waiting its turn.

For the purpose of the tests a 500 foot square will be marked off at Mitchell field with theoretical walls surrounding it. The entry planes, flown by pilots selected by the fund, will have to be able to scale these walls from a standstill inside the square and land again inside the enclosure, without passing through the imaginary obstruction.

The planes will also have to demonstrate that they will right themselves from any "abnormal attitude," into which they might be thrown by atmospheric disturbances or faulty piloting.

SHIP BOARD MEN IN DISAGREEMENT

Questions of Increasing Guarantee Period Finds Various Opinions

WASHINGTON, Oct. 25.—(AP)—A sharp division of opinion among the members of the shipping board has developed over a proposal to increase to ten years the guarantee period of operation of vessels purchased from the government.

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THE MORNING ARGUMENT

AUNT HET By Robert O'Neil



"Any an' Jane is the best bridge player in town an' both of 'em has got babies that suck their thumbs."

POOR PA By Claude Collins



"Ma hopes she will get her reward in the next world and she talks like she's afraid I will too."

Extended Air Service For Coast Next Spring

PORTLAND, Oct. 25.—(AP)—Scheduled air service between Swan Island and Seattle; San Francisco via Medford; Seaside, Government Camp and Hood River, and Spokane, will go into effect next spring, John R. Allen, promotion manager for the Bull Line Air Service, Inc., said here today.

The Bell line is the second company of stage line operators to announce recently projected west coast air headquarters in Portland. The west coast air transport company, established by officials of the Pickwick Stages, was announced ten days ago.

Five 7-passenger cabin planes are now in the course of construction by the Alexander Eagle Rock company for passenger and express service out of Portland by the Bell line, Allen said. Six other Eagle Rock planes of three-passenger capacity, are now in operation, four in Portland, one in Oakland, Cal., and one in San Francisco. This fleet will be supplemented by the fleet of larger machines to go into scheduled service.

The Bell line is headed by A. T. Shere, president, who is also president of the Bell Line Stage system, and John O. Devins, secretary-treasurer.

The present plans of the company call for two round trips daily between Portland and Seattle, and Portland and Medford. Medford will serve as a division point. Four planes will be stationed there to handle traffic on to the bay cities and Los Angeles. One round trip daily will be made between Portland and Spokane after the west wise service has been established.

Pleasure trips from Medford to Crater lake national park is a feature now being worked out. Other pleasure tours will be made around Mount Hood and Government Camp, with four trips a day.

The government's action followed the action in the "second Olmstead case" and the earlier acquittal by the same jury panel of all defendants in the "Hornish county liquor ring" trial.

In the second Olmstead case, at which Roy Olmstead, principal defendant, reputed head of a million dollar smuggling organization, 77 persons were indicted, 40 brought to trial and 14 convicted.

While government attorneys characterized conviction of the 14 defendants a victory, many court followers termed the trial a failure, saying all the heads of the smuggling ring escaped while petty offenders were found guilty.

"The Olmstead conspiracies" both involve Seattle Police Lieutenant George Constock as a principal defendant. Forty five men, including eight other Seattle policemen, were indicted in one case, while eight persons are named in the other.

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MOORS ON RAMPAGE IN MOROCCO AGAIN

Band Captures Members of Family of French Resident General

RABAT, Morocco, Oct. 25.—(AP)—A band of marauding Moors, those irreconcilable warriors against France, Monday swept down from the mountain fastness of the middle Atlas range onto the plains of southern Morocco and captured four members of the family of Theodore Steeg, French resident-general of Morocco.

It was reported that the four kidnapped persons are being held for ransom. Those kidnapped were Mr. and Mrs. Yves Steeg, nephew and niece of the resident general, and Mr. and Mrs. Jean Maillet who are distantly related to him.

The Steeg and Maillet couples had been motoring along the foot of the Atlas range on a hunting trip. Their automobile, bullet-riddled, was recovered. Two hunting dogs were found dead in the bottom of the automobile, their throats slit. This was considered evidence of a hard fought battle, and it caused consternation in the French population of Morocco which has just recovered from the shock of the brutal murder of three members of the Arnaud family in the same territory three weeks ago.

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CONSPIRACY CASES TAKEN FROM SLATE

Federal Attorneys Advised To Eliminate Where Evidence Not Strong

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